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Agenda for today's Interview @ 11 am  
S/N 10/027, 397

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**IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE**

In re application of:	)	
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<b>Rankin et al.</b>	)	
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Serial No.: 10/027,397	)	Group Art Unit: 2188
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Filed: December 19, 2001	)	Examiner: Jasmine Song

**For: HOT PLUG CACHE COHERENCY INTERFACE METHOD AND APPARATUS**

**INTERVIEW AGENDA**

1. Brief Discussion of relevant technology
  - a. Memory Caching
  - b. Coherency Techniques (e.g. snooping, and snoop filters)
  - c. Caching agents/snooping agents
2. Discussion of Bealkowski
  - a. Disclosed caching agents do not appear to be hot-pluggable
  - b. Disclosed hot-pluggable devices do not appear to be caching/snooping agents
3. Application to claims to extent time permits
  - a. Claim 1 – cease snooping of hot plug module
  - b. Claim 13 – writing back modified lines to memory and updating valid vector'
  - c. Claim 22 – update coherency information of a snoop filter in response to a request to remove a hot plug module